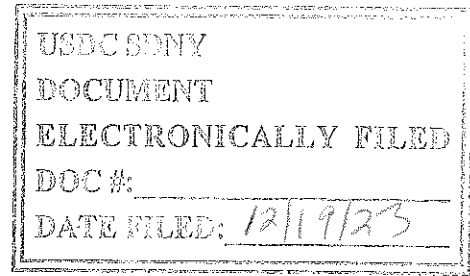


**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,



ORDER

-against-

23 Cr 217 (RMB)

JOSE ORTIZ,

Defendant.
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WHEREAS, with the Defendant's consent, his guilty plea allocution was taken before a United States Magistrate Judge on November 27, 2023;

WHEREAS, a transcript of the allocution was made and thereafter was transmitted to the District Court; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the transcript, this Court has determined that the Defendant entered the guilty plea knowingly and voluntarily and that there was a sufficient factual basis for the guilty plea;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that JOSE ORTIZ's guilty plea is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the sentence will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 12:00 noon. Defense sentencing submission shall be filed by February 26, 2024. Government sentencing submission shall be filed by March 4, 2024.

Dated: New York, New York
December 18, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RMB".

RICHARD M. BERMAN, U.S.D.J.